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FISCAL IMPACT REPORT

ORIGINAL DATE 2/15/07

SPONSOR Sanchez LAST UPDATED _____ HB _____

SHORT TITLE “Open Your Heart to Newborns in Need” Month SB SM 23

ANALYST Guambaña

APPROPRIATION (dollars in thousands)

Appropriation		Recurring or Non-Rec	Fund Affected
FY07	FY08		
	NFI		

(Parenthesis () Indicate Expenditure Decreases)

SOURCES OF INFORMATION

LFC Files

SUMMARY

Synopsis of Bill

Senate Memorial 23 requests the declaration of the month of April as “Open Your Heart to Newborns in Need” Month.

SIGNIFICANT ISSUES

- Each year over 5,000 babies are born at one Albuquerque hospital;
- Many families welcoming new babies into the world have few resources and little discretionary income to provide necessities for their babies;
- Car seats, strollers, baby monitors and diapers, essential for healthy environments in which a baby can survive, can be collected during an awareness campaign;
- Over 40,000 items for newborns were collected for the New Mexico Newborns in Need program last year; and
- The newborns of New Mexico could greatly benefit from a continuation of the program, which pairs parents of newborns with the items and services they need.

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